

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 98-565-C - ORDER NO. 2001-542

JUNE 5, 2001

IN RE: Application of @Link Networks, Inc. (f/k/a) ORDER CANCELLING
Dakota Services, Ltd.) for a Certificate of) CERTIFICATE AND
Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide) WITHDRAWING TARIFF
Local Facilities-Based Digital)
Communications Services and to Provide)
Interexchange Digital Communications)
Services within the State of South Carolina.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“the Commission”) by way of a request from @Link Networks, Inc. (formerly known as Dakota Services, Ltd.) (“@Link”) requesting cancellation its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide telecommunications services within South Carolina and to withdraw its tariff.

By letter received by the Commission on May 14, 2001, @Link advised the Commission that @Link wished to cancel its Certificate to provide local and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within South Carolina. A review of the docket file reveals that @Link’s authority to provide telecommunications services arises from a Certificate being approved to Dakota Services, Ltd. by Order No. 1999-141, dated February 22, 1999. Thereafter, by Order No. 1999-511, dated July 22, 1999, the Commission approved the request of Dakota Services, Ltd. to change its name to @Link Networks, Inc.

As reasoning for its request to cancel its operating authority, @Link stated that it has been unable to raise financing or to align itself with a strategic partner. As a result, @Link has ceased doing business and expects its assets to be liquidated in the near-term.

As @Link, by its own acknowledgment, will no longer be providing the services for which its Certificate was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that @Link's request to cancel its Certificate and to withdraw its tariff should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold local and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services authorized by Order No. 1999-141, dated February 22, 1999, issued in the instant Docket is hereby cancelled, and the tariff filed by @Link is withdrawn.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Chairman

ATTEST:



Executive Director

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